The KY PSC Outage Reporting program is designed to ease notification to the KY PSC of outage incidents and to provide summation information to the public during a major statewide outage event.

Participating utilities are responsible for the following:

- Maintaining valid contact information.
- Maintaining customers served per county.
- Submitting outage incident reports.

Please read over this document so that you will be aware of which fields may be made available to the public in the event of a major statewide outage.

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### Logging in to the secure site

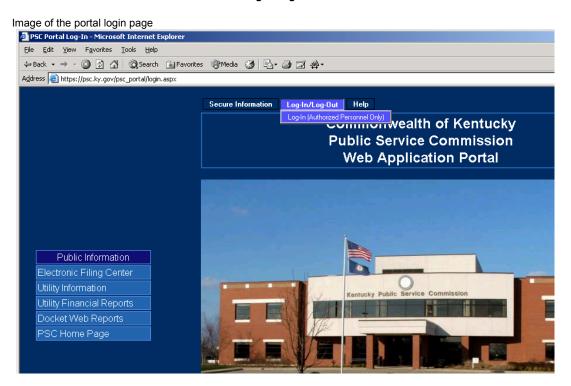
From the KY PSC login site: https://psc.ky.gov/psc\_portal/login.aspx

Click on the **submenu** "Log in (Authorized Personnel Only)" of menu Log In/Log Out. This will bring up a place to enter your assigned user ID and password.

If values are entered correctly the user and password textboxes will disappear. You will now have new submenu items beneath the menu **Secure Information** based upon your roles.

### Choose Secure Information submenu Outage Reporting.

**Note:** If you log in successfully and then examine any of the links beneath the public items the system will lose your role information. It will retain the public role even if you log in again. You will have to close the browser and then log-in again.



You will enter the Outage Reporting System on the ORS Home Page. In the future during a major statewide outage this is the page that will display a summation of the outage information, counties affected and participating utilities. Each participating utility will have an opportunity to include a public comment regarding the outage and provide a public contact phone number.

As a participating utility on the blue menu bar you should see four menu items: Manage, Submit Incident, View Incidents and ORS Home.

- Manage means to submenus Manage Counties and Manage Contacts
- Submit Incident allows you to enter an outage incident report
- View Incidents allows you to view and all incident outages involving your utility
- **ORS Home** current page

#### Manage

Submenu item **Manage Contacts** – allows you to enter a public contact phone number and an Engineering contact.

Submenu item **Manage Counties** – allows you to add or remove counties served and each county's number of customers.

### **Manage Contacts**

Keep current the best contact information. You may update at any time.

On the left in gray – you may optionally enter a phone number for the public. This number will only be displayed in the event of a major statewide outage if your utility is reporting.

On the right in the yellow section: provide the designated contact name, phone number and email address for state and federal emergency officials. This number will not be made available to the public. The information will be used to pre-fill incident reports with contact information.

Upon your first visit to this screen it will contain the information provided when an ID was requested. Click **Save** even if corrections are not needed to confirm the information.

Click **Save** in the lower right when changes are complete.



### **Manage Counties**

The counties served affects the choices available when you submit an incident.

All counties will be displayed. Enter the number of customers for that county in the corresponding textbox to add a county to the utility's service. Reduce the number of customers to zero in order to remove a county from service. Click the **Save** button on the bottom right hand side of the screen when finished (not visible in the following image).

Currently – all customer counts are estimated from census data. In the event that a county was listed in the utility master as being served which did not appear on census data that county will show a customer of 1. Please verify counties served and the approximate customers served before submitting an incident.

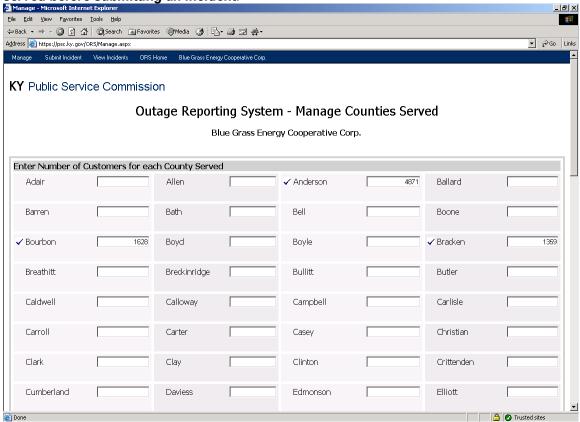


Image of the Manage Counties Screen

#### **Submit Incident**

This menu item will take you to a screen where you may enter a report of an outage incident. Each report consists of basic header information in two sections: potential public and private. There is an additional private section that applies only to electric utilities. Finally the counties served are displayed to accept the number of customers out per county.

Potential public information will be visible to the public in the event of a major statewide outage. Any comments or public phone contact numbers provided in the public section will appear beneath the utility name in a listing of all participating utilities.

Initially due to the estimate customers served per county it would be wise to first visit the **Manage Counties** screen to ensure that all counties with an outage will be available for data entry.

The new incident entry could be pre-filled with the information from the last entry information if the previous incident is less than five days old. "**NEW**" will be indicated in the upper right corner to clarify you are creating a new entry.

Click **Submit Incident Report to PSC** button on the lower right when complete. An email will be generated notifying all assigned PSC staff of the incident.

Unique incidents require only a single report. When an event is ongoing such as the ice storm of 2003 updates will be expected twice a day until the event is closed or all customers are restored.

If you filed an outage incident before the event was declared and that incident was deemed to be part of the event you will be notified about the required updates. If you report an outage incident during an event you will notice an onscreen exclamation with the required update times. You must update your outage status at least once **before** those declared times. You may update more than once as outages decline before the declared times.



Image of the banner indicating an Event is in progress placed at the top of the Incident screen

Potential Public Fields:

Type of Report: This field is usually not editable and displays "isolated incident."

If a major statewide outage event is in progress this will become a drop-down list. Your choice will include the current event or "isolated incident". The default value will be the current event. You may alter this value to "isolated incident" if applicable.

Incident Started Date: The approximate date the incident began. Not to be confused

with reported time.

format mm/dd/yyyy required

Incident Started Time: format hh/mm AM/PM required

Reported: The time this report is created – the current date and time.

Total number of personnel including contractors number required

Possible Cause 1000 chars max required

Public Comment In the case of an event – enter any informational text you wish

presented to the consumers. The public phone number provided

on the contact screen will be displayed also.

1000 chars max

Private Fields:

In the utility's best estimation, will 1000 or more customers be disrupted for more than

24 hours? Check to indicate YES – default is blank – NO.

Restoration Efforts 1000 chars max required Estimated Restoration Time 50 chars max required

Comments including critical facilities 1000 chars max

Who may we contact? Please provide information about the person filing the report. This information will be pre-filled with any values provided in "Manage Contacts". Replace as needed.

Name 50 chars max Phone 25 chars max Email 50 chars max

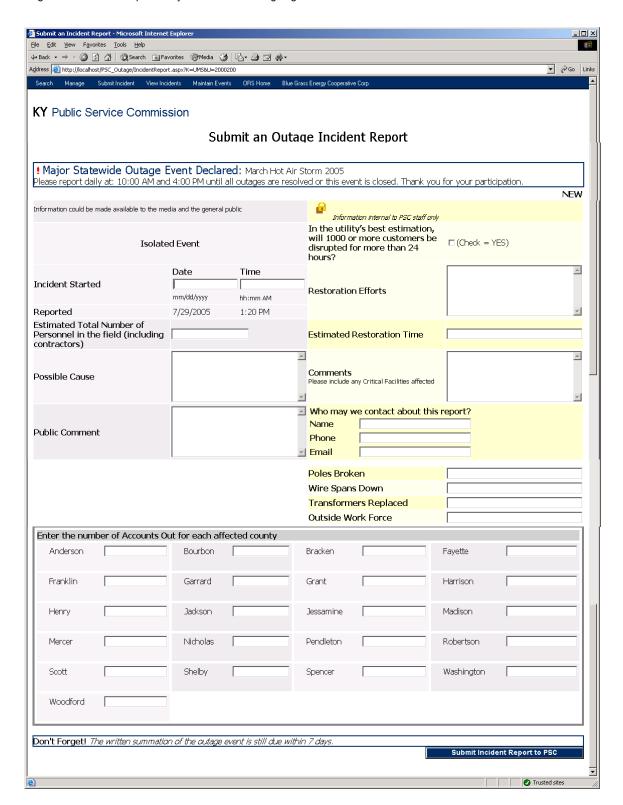
Private Electric only fields:

PolesnumberrequiredWire SpansnumberrequiredTransformersnumberrequiredOutside Work Forcenumberrequired

Potential Public fields: Counties Affected:

Not all counties are shown. Counties designated as served using the Manage Counties will be shown. Enter the number of customers out to the right of the correct county.

Image of the Incident Report Entry Screen with an ongoing Event.



#### **View Incidents**

You may view incidents involving your utility. You will have two different means of filtering raw outage incidents: An Incident Time Filter and County filter. When entering this screen it initially displays incidents for all counties within the past 24 hours.

#### Two different **Time filters** are available:

a drop-down list with standard time filters: past 24 hours, past 48, past week and Other. manually entered dates and times.

Choose "Other" from the drop-down list to use the manually entered dates and times. *Note entering a date without a time will result in a default time of midnight.* 

**County filter** – by default this filter is set to "All counties". Any county may be chosen from the drop down list.

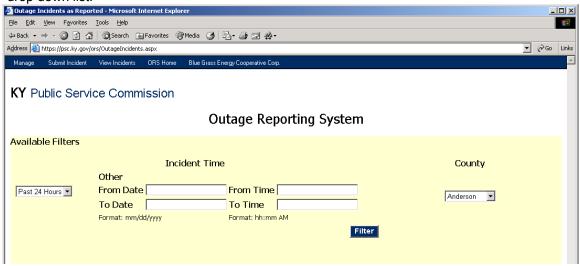


Image of the View Incidents Filter

Click **Filter** to retrieve results. A grid will display all outage incident reports that match the criteria. Click on the incident **time link** of any incident to read the information associated with that report on the "**Incident Details**" screen.

### **Incident Details**

This screen provides a read only view of all information associated with one outage incident report. Buttons at the bottom right hand of the screen allow you to return to the list of matching incident or move on to the next incident.

Use the button "**Return to Incident List**" to go back to the list of all incidents which matched your criteria. If other incidents are available in the list you will have buttons to view the details on the current screen of the **next** or **previous** incident.

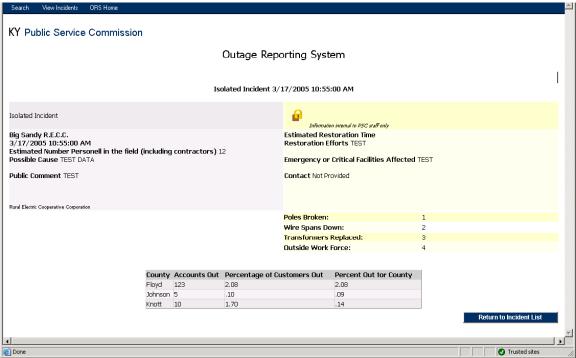


Image viewing details of a reported outage incident